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The Honorable John Larson
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Larson:

Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA) is pleased to endorse the Social Security 2100 Act. PVA is the only Congressionally chartered veterans' service organization solely dedicated to representing veterans with spinal cord injury and/or disease. All of our members benefit from this vital social insurance program in some way, whether it is the benefits that afford them a secure retirement, protect their survivors and dependents, or enable them to manage living with a disability with dignity.

We applaud the provisions in your bill that would establish a more realistic cost-of-living-adjustment for beneficiaries, strengthen protections for low income workers and new beneficiaries, and make long overdue adjustments in the financing mechanisms for the system. We also appreciate your effort to foreclose future arguments over the disability insurance program by eliminating the artificial separation of the trust funds. This legislation demonstrates that preserving and strengthening Social Security can be done without causing harm to beneficiaries.

Thank you for pursuing this legislation. PVA looks forward to working with you during the 115th Congress to press for passage of the Social Security 2100 Act.

Sincerely,

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